



# Pinelands United Methodist Church

Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world!

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Prelude

Time of Greeting and Announcements

❖ Hymn ..... #382 “Have Thine Own Way, Lord!”

## ❖ Call to Worship

*LEADER: Temptation surrounds us every day.*

**PEOPLE: Happy are those whose transgressions are forgiven.**

*LEADER: Opportunities to stray litter our path.*

**PEOPLE: Happy are those whose sin is covered.**

*LEADER: Though we stumble and fall, God’s mercy picks us up.*

**PEOPLE: God’s grace brushes us off.**

*LEADER: Be glad in the Lord and rejoice.*

**PEOPLE: God’s love meets us here.**



## Opening Prayer

Righteous God, we need your presence in our lives if we are to resist temptation. Send your angels to minister to us when the tempter comes to call. Put not our hearts to the test, but shelter us in your protective love. For you are our God and we are your people. Amen.

1st Scripture Reading ..... Genesis 2:15-17 & 3:1-7

2nd Scripture Reading ..... Romans 5:12-19

❖ Hymn ... #298 “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

❖ Gospel Reading ..... Matthew 4:1-11

Sermon

Joys and Prayers of the People of God

Offering God's Tithes and Our Gifts

❖ Doxology ..... #95

❖ Benediction

❖ Hymn ..... #377 “It Is Well with My Soul”

God bless you and not let you out of his sight.  
God keep and protect you by day and by night.  
Let love, understanding be yours evermore.  
God’s grace be with you forever more.



## PRAYER REQUESTS

Pastor Dave Carber  
 Barbara Kurowski  
 Linda Hirst  
 Bill & Linda Green  
 Kathy Simpkins  
 Marge Clifton  
 Anastasia Keno  
 Anna Walker  
 The Lister Family  
 Jerry  
 Sue Oberski  
 Brian Plasket  
 Robin Green  
 Paul Cowan  
 Dave Dixon  
 Hayley  
 Ed Rabush  
 Kaitlin DeLucca (US Air Force)  
 Max Lister (US Army)  
 Jacob Lynn  
 Baby @ Chop (breathing)  
 Sandra Allebach

Frances Ernwood  
 Wilma Brown  
 Margie Cochran  
 Sean Plasket  
 McCartney Family  
 Barbara Ford  
 Joseph Newton  
 The Rabush Family  
 Denise  
 Tom Rheault  
 Bob R  
 John Allebach Sr  
 Nicholas Cellini  
 Emily Brill  
 Baby James William  
 Joanne Wunsch  
 Billy Cheatham (US Marines)  
 Tiernan James (US Coast Guard)  
 Riley James (US Marines)  
 Melodee Ashby  
 The Family of Dan Bauer  
 David & Emily Elkin

# CHURCH NEWS

**FEBRUARY 26, 2023**

### NEW MEMBER CLASSES OFFERED IN MARCH

Pinelands UMC will be starting new member classes in March. Two classes to choose from: Saturday, March 4th @ 4:00 pm or Sunday, March 12th @ 4:00 pm. Both classes will be at the church parsonage on Pleasant Mills Rd. Dinner is included. Please speak with Pastor Dave or Cass if you have interest in joining our Church Family. You can email interest to [pinelandsumc@gmail.com](mailto:pinelandsumc@gmail.com) or call the church office at 609-804-1844 for more information. You must reserve a spot so that enough supplies are purchased.

### SPECIAL MUSICAL EVENT COMING IN APRIL



Start planning now to share your talents with Pinelands Church. Looking for musicians, singers, groups to perform during a special worship service in April. You have 2 months to plan something great! Stay tuned for more information and speak to Cass or Pastor Dave about signing up.





### ROAD CLEAN UP TODAY

Immediately after church we will meet up for an ACUA road clean up. All are welcome to attend. This is something we do for our community and the ACUA thanks us with a donation to our church. Speak with Jeanne Bridel for more information.

### FISHING GROUP MEETS

On the first Wednesday of each month Pinelands UMC Fishing Group meets. Our March 1st meeting will be at the Brill's house @ 7:00 pm. Everyone is welcome to join in.



### UWIF PANCAKE BREAKFASTS



Mark your calendars now! **March 4th and April 1st** at our Nesco Church Building will be the United Women In Faith pancake breakfasts. Join us between **8:00 am - 11:00 am** for FELLOWSHIP and food! Meet new people...eat local. **Adults \$8.00 and**

**Children under 12 are \$5.00.** Enjoy a great fill of pancakes, bacon/sausage and a cup or two of Joe!

### NESCO FOOD PANTRY

Each Monday, Nesco Church has a FREE food pantry for those that might need an extra hand. Anyone can come. The food pantry is open from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm.



PINELANDS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# FOOD PANTRY

## Donations Needed

Peanut Butter / Crackers / Jelly / Honey  
Canned Protein (Tuna Fish / Salmon / Chicken)  
Boxed Pasta / Sauce  
Powered Milk / Long Shelf Life Milk  
Canned - Potatoes, Corn, Fruit, Beans  
Cooking Oils  
Instant Mashed Potatoes - Bag or Box  
Instant Rice - Bag or Box  
Eggs / Pancake Mix (Complete)  
Granola Bars / Protein Bars / Oatmeal / Cereal  
Juice Boxes

**PINELANDS UMC @ NESCO**

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### THIS WEEK:

**Sunday:** WEBSITE or FACEBOOK LIVE - 9:00 am  
: Worship @ Batsto - 9:00 am  
: Sunday School @ Batsto - 9:00 am  
: Coffee & Fellowship @ Batsto - 10:00 am  
: Worship @ Green Bank - 10:30 am